HEALTHCARE INTERPRETATIONS TASK FORCE INTERPRETATION

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Code: NFPA 101, 1997 Edition; Sections 7-6.1.8 and 7-7.6.

Background: None

Question 1: Is it the intent that the referenced code sections require a fire watch in unoccupied areas of a healthcare occupancy under construction for the duration of the shutdown?

Answer 1: YES

Question 2: If the answer to question 1 is yes, is the fire watch requirement applicable 24 hours a day for the duration of the shutdown?

Answer 2: YES